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Dear Sirs:

We are writing to urge the FDA to grant the petition filed under docket #98P-0203/CP to ban forced molting of egg laying hens. We believe it is a cruel and unnecessary practice that weakens the animal's immune system which can increase the spread of Salmonella enteritidis. Thank-you for your consideration of this petition for it is an issue of food safety that effects all of us.

Sincerely:

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